

The Children's Newspaper, Week Ending May 2, 1959.

UP FOR THE CUP—See page 7

Children's Newspaper

Every Wednesday—Fourpence

FOUNDED BY ARTHUR MEE

No. 2093, May 2, 1959

GREAT TREASURE IN AN ANCIENT JAR

New sayings of Jesus to be published

Students of the New Testament the world over will have been thrilled by the recent announcement that some hitherto unknown sayings of Jesus are to be published.

Written on an ancient parchment, these sayings were found, with 43 other documents in the Coptic language, hidden in a jar. This jar had lain for over a thousand years in a tomb cut in limestone cliffs at Nag Hamadi, 60 miles from Luxor, Egypt.

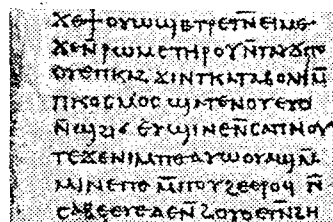
THE discovery was made in 1946 but the parchments have not until recently been deciphered. These sayings of Jesus, known also as the Gospel of Thomas, are to be published by a professor at the Sorbonne (University of Paris) and a book on the discovery is to be issued by the Oxford University Press, in London.

It is nothing new to find parchment scrolls hidden for safety in desert caves in the Middle East. The Dead Sea Scrolls were also hidden in this way.

Some of these fragments are associated with St. Philip, and some with St. Matthias. Everyone associated with Christ, and especially the twelve apostles, was considered to be the holder of precious sayings of Christ. He was expected to remember what Christ said, how He looked, and what He did at certain memorable moments of His life. But gradually the Church came to the conclusion that only the four great Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John were authentic.

But the early Church treasured other sayings such as the ones found in the jar, which are attributed to St. Thomas.

Written in long narrow columns in clear Coptic, the St. Thomas



A fragment of one of the parchments

Gospel, as it is called, has been known to scholars since 1946 and they have counted some 114 sayings of Christ which have the "Gospel ring" about them and read rather like passages with which we are familiar.

Here are some of them:

Jesus said: If those who lead you say to you: Behold the Kingdom is in Heaven, then the birds of Heaven will precede you: If they say to you that it is in the sea then the fish will precede you. But the Kingdom is within you and it is outside of you.

Another piece says:

Jesus said: Woe to them, the Pharisees, for they are like a dog lying in the manger of the cattle, for he neither eats, nor does he let the cattle eat.

SUBJECT FOR DEBATE

Whether Jesus Himself actually said these words will be debated by scholars for many years to come. They are so very like the familiar words of the Gospels that many will argue they stand on a level with them. But then the question arises why the church did not treasure them with the same care as the Gospels themselves. They are fragments and do not tell a continuous story as do the other gospels which were written by the Evangelists to gather together all that the Christian community could remember about Jesus and to make plain to non-Christians who Jesus is.

These other "gospels" may well throw fresh light on the mind of Jesus and how He acted in certain circumstances because they may be from the pens of actual eyewitnesses. It is this possibility that gives the value to the treasures of the jar of Luxor which has guarded these secrets for centuries, so freshly and so securely.

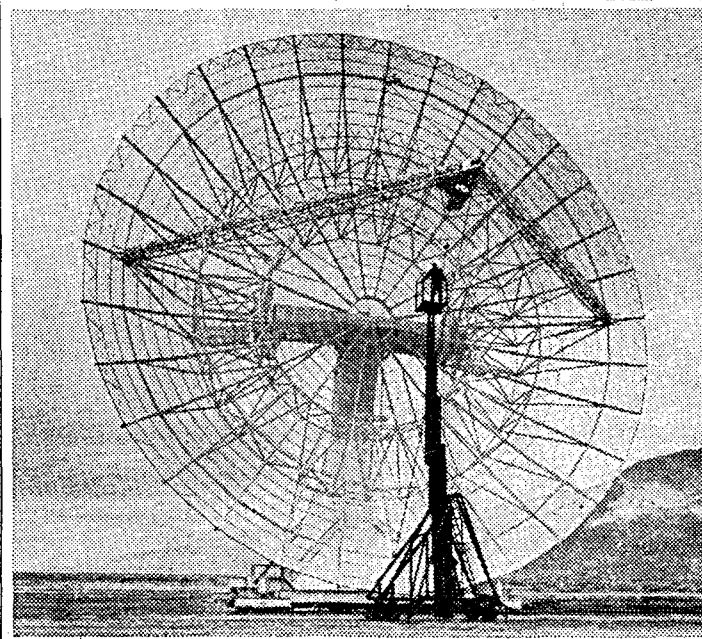
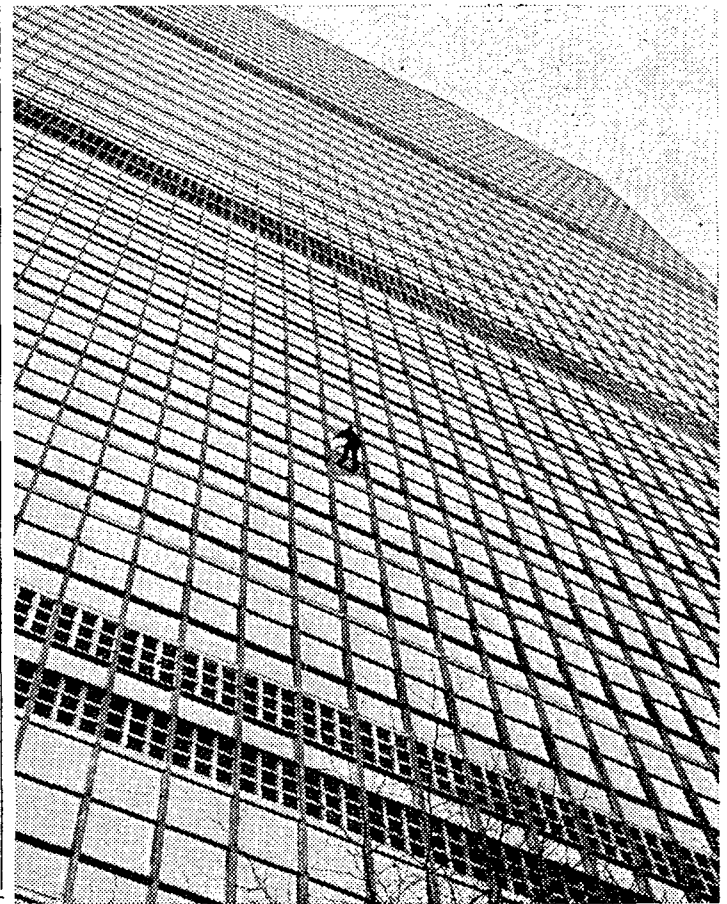
France's gift to Japan

The French Government has handed back the Matsukata art collection to Japan. Consisting of about 400 paintings and sculptures by famous French masters, the collection was brought together by Baron Kojiro Matsukata, a wealthy industrialist. It was stored in France before the Second World War and seized by the French Government on Japan's entry into the war.

Under the Japanese Peace Treaty the collection was allotted to France as war damages. Now it has been returned and will eventually be housed in Tokyo in a new National Museum of Western Art designed by the French architect, M. Le Corbusier.

Six little bears leave home

Six koala bears recently flew from Australia to zoos in California, and with them went the particular kind of eucalyptus tree on which they feed. Every precaution will be taken to keep the six little bears happy in their new homes.



ON TOP OF THEIR JOBS

These two pictures show men at work in strange surroundings. Above is one of the team of workers who clean the 5400 windows of the United Nations building in New York. On the left an engineer is using a special lift to make an adjustment to the Big Ear radio telescope near Big Pine, California.

Beauty treatment



Dicksi, the African elephant at the London Zoo, has his trunk spring-cleaned by his keeper.

TWO MEN IN A BOAT

Two men recently made a 380-mile journey in a small canoe down the turbulent Sabi River from a point in Southern Rhodesia to the Mozambique port of Mambone. It took them ten days and a great deal of courage.

They had to steer through narrow channels between little islands, many of them the haunts of wild animals. One night they camped on the favourite spot of a hippo and saved themselves only by lighting fires and firing guns to drive the animals off.

At one stretch of the Sabi there

are 18 miles of impassable rapids and falls, and there they had to travel overland in a jeep. But for the rest of the way they kept to their canoe, only to find when they reached Mambone, that the Portuguese authorities refused to believe that they had made the "impossible" trip. Eventually, however, the two men were allowed to board a coaster bound for the port of Beira, where they could get a train home to Southern Rhodesia, there to tell the full story of their unique and hazardous journey.

Good Shelves all

Twenty-one Luton boys and girls have found a novel way of spending their spare time. Calling themselves the Shelves, they work in the Children's section of the public library, helping at the counter, and putting books back on the shelves in alphabetical order in the right section.

Every month the Shelves hold a committee meeting, presided over by the Children's Librarian, Miss Margaret Holdstock. And now they have started their own bright magazine.

© The Amalgamated Press, Ltd., 1959

A GREAT SECRETARY OF STATE

Farewell to John Foster Dulles

By the C N Diplomatic Correspondent

THE Western world has lost the services of Mr. John Foster Dulles, the American Secretary of State. He resigned on April 15 after a long and typically courageous fight against illness, and has been succeeded by Mr. Christian Herter, who had been Acting Secretary of State.

A year or two ago few people in Britain had much good to say of Mr. Dulles. It is one of the melancholy facts of our time that the Western world, including Britain, came to admire him and even to understand his methods only when his political life was ending.

Many people disliked his attitude towards Russia and the system of international Communism directed from Moscow. The word inflexible had come to be associated with him.

It is considered a bad thing for anyone, least of all a Foreign Minister dealing with shifts and changes in the diplomatic world, to be too set in his ways. There is a time to be firm and a time to be pliable.

BRINKMANSHIP

During his six years at the State Department there were times when the danger of war with the Communist empires, Russian or Chinese, seemed to have been increased by the public speeches of Mr. Dulles. He was said to have carried the world "to the brink of war." The word brinkmanship was coined to describe his policy.

It is a matter of history now that he opposed the Anglo-French expedition to Egypt in 1956. The use of force to settle disputes was morally wrong in his eyes. It was his "moralising" on such matters that strained the Anglo-American alliance at that time.

All this has to be weighed against what was evident when he became Secretary of State under President Eisenhower at the end of 1952, when the United States elected the first Republican Government to power for 20 years. It has to be weighed, too, against what has happened since.

NO CONCESSIONS

It was evident in 1952, as it is now, that as an outcome of the last war Russia has in effect conquered Eastern Europe. There are today 100 million people living under a Communist system imposed upon them—a system which denies personal freedom and relies on persecution of the individual to keep up its authority.

One of Mr. Dulles's unchanging arguments had been that as long as this "prison" exists there must be no concessions to the Russians. Until recently Mr. Dulles was opposed to the idea of negotiations with Russia: hence his inflexibility.

Today most of the Western allies, encouraged by the British Prime Minister, Mr. Harold Macmillan, agree that it is better to be flexible. Better to talk and

thus find out what "the other side" is really thinking.

Mr. Dulles had come round to this, though holding the view that the West must build up its united strength and remain firm.

By profession Mr. Dulles was a lawyer. He was born in Washington, the American capital, on February 25, 1888, at the home of his mother's father, John Watson Foster, who in the 'nineties was American Secretary of State.

STRONG PRINCIPLES

From his father, a Presbyterian minister from Watertown, N.Y., he inherited those strong religious principles from which he never wavered. His father wanted him to be a minister, but his grandfather's example swayed him. He became Secretary of State almost 60 years to the day after his grandfather.

In between he practised as a lawyer. During the first World War his poor eyesight prevented him from soldiering, but he became a captain in U.S. Army Intelligence. (His brother Allen is head of the State Intelligence services in the U.S.)

In 1919 he went to the Versailles peace conference as an expert on reparations, or compensation for war damage to be exacted from Germany.

There was a short spell in the Senate after the war, but Mr. Dulles always preferred diplomacy to politics. He himself negotiated the American peace treaty with defeated Japan, and he became the Republican Party's great foreign affairs expert.

John Foster Dulles undoubtedly made great contributions to the Western cause.

After the cyclones

Disaster has recently overtaken Madagascar. Five cyclones have struck the island in less than two months, and only the south-west province of Tulcar has escaped.

The most serious damage seems to have been done in the far north and in Tananarive, the capital. Telegraphs and telephones are out of action, airfields are flooded, all the bridges are down, and the roads are a quagmire.

Tananarive, with a population of a quarter of a million, has been seriously stricken. One person in every six in the capital is said to be homeless. The River Ikopa burst its banks at the same time as the neighbouring rice-fields overflowed, and between them worked havoc in the lower part of the city. The water poured into the streets, eating away the mud plaster of the houses and bringing them down in confusion.

Of the 41,000 refugees in Tananarive, great numbers are being cared for by the Protestant missions, which have many large churches and schools in the city. Nearly 400 people, for example, are living in one church, and other groups are making a temporary home in other churches and schools. They thus have shelter, and through the Government's rationing plans there is food enough to go round for the present. The plight of the people in the more remote areas is perhaps even more desperate.

MAKING SURE OF THEIR SHOW

Determined to visit the circus at Chesterfield, 20 schoolboys turned up to help repair damage to the big top, caused by a gale which prevented the show opening on time.

One of them said: "We want to make sure that the circus opens tonight—we've all got tickets."

Supervised by the tentmaster, the boys helped 12 circus workers to haul on ropes and move the main pole of the huge tent back into position. Then they were all taken off for a preview of the circus animals.

News from Everywhere

Some 50 Dutch grandparents in a conducted party have been visiting their children and grandchildren in Australia.

Highest award



The Special Service Cross, highest award of the British Red Cross Society, has been presented to Maureen Costin of Wellington, Shropshire. She rescued a school friend from drowning at Herne Bay, Kent, last summer.

Holland's last steam locomotive is now in the State Railway Museum.

Boys of Whitgift School, Croydon, recently performed Macbeth before large audiences at Geneva.

White ash fell in the streets of Tokyo after the eruption of Mount Asama, 80 miles away. Smoke from the volcano rose 21,000 feet.

A magazine with pages that can be torn out and played like a gramophone record is on sale in Japan.

A spotted bower-bird (a natural mimic) nesting near a lumbermen's camp at Quambone, New South Wales, imitates their nightly snores the following day.

Engineers and miners, working from opposite sides of the new Dartford-Purfleet tunnel under the Thames, have met in the middle, 25 feet below the river bed.

Perfumed oil is to be used in diesel buses at Cleveland, Ohio, following complaints about exhaust fumes.

Aborigines are to be taught farming at a new government cattle station covering 27,000 square miles in South Australia.

Over 32,000 Australians and New Zealanders came to Britain last year, and on average each spent £460.

UPSTAIRS TO HILLPOT

An escalator is being built on a steep slope of the Lenin Hills above Moscow. It will have three moving stairways, each capable of carrying 8000 people an hour and giving fine views over the Russian capital.

An iceberg 65½ miles long was seen by a Russian whaling ship in the Ross Sea, Antarctica.

A hospital now being built in Ghana is to be named after Tetteh Quarshie, the man who first planted cocoa seed in the country, 80 years ago.

A fire broke out in Pudding Lane the other day—where the Great Fire of London started in 1666.

THEY SAY . . .

TODAY we travel slower down Piccadilly than Emperor Claudius moved when he visited Londinium 1916 years ago.

Philip N. Lees, president of the Motor Agents' Association

It's just like a tall London. Harry Secombe, after seeing New York

THE great majority of the present generation of boys and girls live happy, healthy, and useful lives.

Mr. H. S. Magnay, of the Liverpool Juvenile Delinquency Committee

ONE day every family will have an intelligent monkey as a servant.

Sir Ronald Fisher

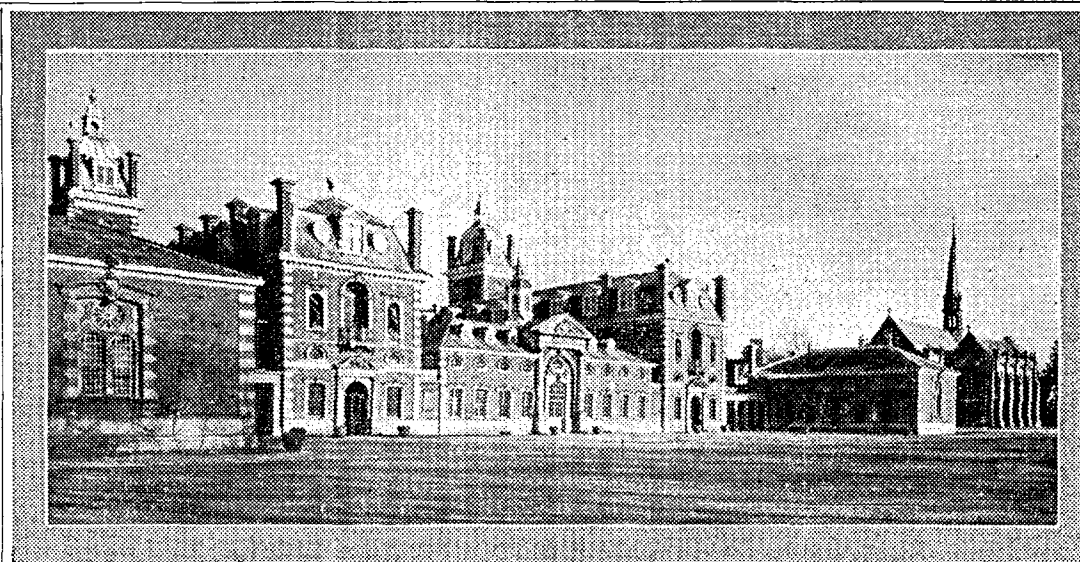
FROGBOY SCOUTS

The first national underwater swimming course for Boy Scouts was held recently at the Buckmore Park Scout Camp, Rochester.

The course was organised by Lieut. - Commander Wyndham Davies, who has been giving instruction in the subject to Westminster Sea Scouts, and wanted to find out if Scouts in general would be interested. The result startled him. Over 100 boys came to Buckmore Park to learn the proper use of masks, flippers, and snorkel breathing tubes.

Aqualung equipment was demonstrated by Royal Navy frogmen, and the programme included displays by the London Sub-Aqua Club, the Royal Life Saving Society, Westminster Sea Scouts, and the Gillingham Swimming Club.

Another course will probably be held later in the year. A shilling booklet, Skin Diving for Boys, by Lieut. - Commander Wyndham Davies, was produced specially for the course. It can be obtained from bookstalls or from the author at 36 Seymour Street, London, W.1.



OUR HOMELAND

Wellington College at Crowthorne, Berkshire, which celebrates its 100th anniversary this year.

The Children's Newspaper, May 2, 1959

3

Church on the move

This church formerly stood in one of the Canadian villages now in course of being submerged by the expanding waters of the new St. Lawrence Seaway. It is here seen on its way to a new site.



New Hall for the Butchers

The new hall now being built in St. Bartholomew's Close, Smithfield, for the Butcher's Company, one of the old City Livery Companies in London, will be at least their sixth headquarters.

Their earliest known building was in Monkwell Street and was leased for £1 a year in 1460. By 1548 they were paying £6 a year for an old parsonage in what was called Stinking Lane and is now King Edward Street.

The Great Fire of London burned down that hall, and a third was built by the Butchers in Pudding Lane. Among those who subscribed to the cost was the father of Daniel Defoe, author of Robinson Crusoe.

This hall, too, was burned down in 1830 but rebuilt for less than £3000. In 1884 the company had to move again because of the building of the Metropolitan Railway and they went to a hall in St. Bartholomew's Close. This hall was damaged during an air raid in the First World War, and by a flying bomb in the Second.

All ready with flying kit

Having got their flying kit, four A.T.C. cadets, in the charge of a corporal, walk out to meet their instructor at Biggin Hill, Kent. They will each be taken for a flight.



BRAVELY DONE

David Butler, a fourteen-year-old of Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire, won another round in his battle against disablement recently when he gave a special swimming demonstration for disabled people in London.

David lost his legs and a hand in an explosion in 1956: he did not return home until 1958, and then it was in a wheelchair. But three months later he met Mr. Ray Hutton, a swimming teacher from Watford. He was so impressed with David's efforts that he decided to teach him properly.

After lengthy practice and experiment, David developed a good type of crawl stroke and was able to swim 440 yards at his last attempt. Then he started diving, from a sitting position. He surprised even his teacher when he made a perfect dive from the three-metre board at his first try.

He has gained the junior certificate of the Swimming Teachers' Association, and a special endeavour award from his own swimming club. Shortly, he hopes to take up water polo.

40 years of airliners

This year marks the 40th anniversary of civil air transport. It was on May 1, 1919, that the first passenger flight from London to Manchester was made—in a Handley Page piloted by Lord Douglas of Kirtleside, now Chairman of British European Airways.

And on August 25, 1919, a British company started the world's first international air service with flights on the London—Paris route.

BEA expect to mark this historic year by carrying more than three million passengers for the first time, and also by taking delivery of the organisation's first pure-jet airliner, a Comet 4B.

MANCHESTER MAGIC

A fascinating exhibition of apparatus used by magicians is to be seen in Manchester Central Library. It has been staged by the Manchester Magical Society, which celebrates its Golden Jubilee this year.

The Chinese Head Chopper, Sword Cabinet, and Clock of Torture are among the items to be seen here at close quarters, though their secrets are not revealed. Little models showing famous magicians at work are here, too.

As might be expected, there is a section devoted to playing-cards, an important part of the stock-in-trade of conjurers. Various oriental and continental styles are on view and the curious cards range from circular ones to others half the size of postage stamps.

The exhibition is open until May 9.

FASTER THAN EVER

Britain's fastest train, the Bristolian, will be faster than ever from June 15 when diesels will replace steam locos. The journey between London and Bristol will take 100 minutes, an average speed of just over 70 m.p.h.

View of the harbour

Students from the Kingston School of Art at work on a mural of St. Peter Port, Guernsey. It is to commemorate Surrey's link with the Channel Islands through the use of Gatwick Airport.



Fool-proof signal box

Newcastle Central Station has a new signal box said to be "fool-proof," in the sense that it is impossible for a signalman to make a mistake that would result in anything worse than delay to a train.

The station handles 14½ million passengers a year, the biggest number at any station outside London.

This new power signalling installation has colour light signals and route relay interlocking and has cost £800,000.

Previously a staff of 62 worked on shifts in four separate signal boxes. Now 23 work in shifts in the one box controlling ten miles of track.

Betty's pet hare

Fifteen-year-old Betty Ellis, of Stoke Holy Cross, Norfolk, has a young hare, a leveret, which she takes for walks on a lead with her poodle. The leveret was found on a nearby farm about a month ago and has become very tame. Betty also has a tame jackdaw which talks.

Four-inch violin

A tiny violin, only four inches long but perfect in every detail, has been presented to the Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Society by the sons of Mr. George Jones, a Liverpool violin maker, who completed it in 1895. Inlaid with mother-of-pearl, it is in a mahogany case, complete with bow.



are
you a
particular
person

Choosing a bicycle is a major decision and demands much thought and careful consideration. ROYAL ENFIELD have carefully developed over the last 60 years a range of bicycle that emphasises

**SAFETY · ELEGANCE
ATTRACTIVENESS · EFFICIENCY**

Choose a
Royal Enfield
from the 16 models available.

**WRITE FOR THE
ROYAL ENFIELD
BICYCLE
CATALOGUE
THAT
ILLUSTRATES
ALL THE SUPERB
MODELS.**

Please send me 1959 Bicycle Catalogue.

NAME.....

ADDRESS.....

C.N. 359

The Enfield Cycle Co. Ltd., Redditch, Wores.

ERNEST THOMSON WRITES ABOUT RADIO AND TELEVISION PERSONALITIES AND PROGRAMMES

Three suitors for the Petrified Princess

Busy month for Anne Castaldini

Life with the Mounties



The Princess, with the King and Queen

GORDON MURRAY and his Puppet Workshop team are justly proud of the fine marionettes they made for The Petrified Princess. This new puppet operetta has its première performance in BBC Television next Tuesday.

The story was written by Bryan Guinness (Lord Moyné) and the music specially composed by Richard Arnell, whose Harlequin in April was recently revived at Covent Garden.

There is a touch of the Sleeping Beauty about the operetta. Seeking the hand of the Petrified Princess are three suitors—Jack the Miller's son, Count Blood and Thunder, and Dr. Worldly Wizard. Need I tell you that Jack is the hero? Slaying a dragon is only one of his feats.

Richard Arnell himself conducts the Virtuoso Ensemble. The scenery and costumes were designed by Andrew Brownfoot.

PLAYING the part of a young mother, and then her daughter 15 years later, will keep 17-year-old Anne Castaldini extremely busy in C. E. Webber's new four-part BBC Television serial The Wanderer, starting on Saturday week, May 9.

The Wanderer, produced by Rex Tucker, takes us to Berlin in 1941 during the air raids. Anne Castaldini is seen first as Karen, a young Hungarian wife with a baby girl. Her husband is in a slave camp. An escaped R.A.F. prisoner of war helps her to reach the Swiss frontier, but she is killed by a German guard. Julia, the baby, is saved, however, and we meet her (played by Anne) working in an English factory in 1956. From then on the story is of Julia's search for her father.

Anne Castaldini trained as a concert pianist, and it was her skill at the keyboard that won her a part with Sir Laurence Olivier in his first ITV play last year. Her mother has been telling me that Anne not only keeps up with her music but is now learning golf.

Her 12-year-old brother Paul is also on the way to TV stardom. Recently he has been in two children's plays.

Descendant of Flora Macdonald

MACFARLANE'S WAY, the new Associated-Rediffusion children's serial about which I told you last week, was written by Elizabeth Beresford, wife of the well-known sports commentator Max Robertson. You may remember her successful ITV serial last year—The Chinese Dragon.

Why did she choose Scotland as the setting for the new serial? Just after the war, when she left the Wrens, Miss Beresford and a friend hitch-hiked to Ullapool, on the N.W. coast of Scotland. She fell in love with this beautiful district and based the play on it.

The name Flora Donald—the little girl in MacFarlane's Way—was chosen because of another Scottish connection. Max Robertson's mother is a direct descendant of the famous Flora Macdonald, who contrived the escape of the Young Pretender to Skye after the 1745 rebellion. One of the Robertsons' daughters was christened Catherine Isabel Macdonald so that she would inherit some valuable belongings of Bonnie Prince Charlie.

The 'Obby 'Oss

MAY DAY, next Friday, will not pass unnoticed in BBC Children's Hour. Irene Hall, well-known for her radio stories about Cornish village life, has written a new play, The Merry Morning of May.

No one knows the origin of the traditional Padstow 'Obby 'Oss (Hobby Horse) ceremony on May Day, but Miss Hall has an idea of her own which she has woven into the story.

PLUNGING about waist deep in snow, in sub-zero temperatures, a party of actors, most of them English emigrants, have been making a new film series for BBC Television dealing with the work of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

R.C.M.P., as this story will be called, will run for at least 39 weekly instalments, beginning in the autumn. Leading star is a well-known French-Canadian actor, Gilles Pelletier, who plays Corporal Jacques Gagnier. The story is focused on the adventures of his three-man detachment in and around the fictitious town of Shamattawa, a typical Western Canadian community. The film is actually being made at Aylmer, Quebec.

To add to the hazards, the cast have had to work with dogs who sometimes take their parts a bit too seriously. One actor is a mass of bite marks from a husky who thought he was a real villain.

"Budge" Crawley, the producer, has as technical adviser Charles Rivett-Carnac, a member of the Mounties for 35 years.

One difficulty the sound recordists did not bargain for is the terrific noise made by feet crunching in the snow. The microphones magnify it to the roar of an avalanche.



Gilles Pelletier, the hero of R.C.M.P.

Aboard the Elizabethan Express

NOT since Don Smith's famous quick-motion film, Victoria to Brighton in Four Minutes, have train enthusiasts had anything so exciting to look forward to as the Elizabethan Express run in next Tuesday's Railway Roundabout in BBC Children's TV.

When John Adams and Patrick Whitehouse recently travelled on this crack express from King's Cross to Edinburgh they took films from the footplate to give an engine driver's view of the track ahead at speeds up to 90 m.p.h.

At the other end of the train viewers will be taken into the

guard's van. A more mouth-watering experience will be a visit to the restaurant car and the cook's pantry while lunch is being served. Our travellers were able to walk from the locomotive into the train through the tender corridor, which enables the crews to change over at "half time."

Another film, I hear, will deal with the branch line from Birmingham to Redditch and Evesham—the only passenger-carrying single line railway in the Birmingham area. Soon it is to be "dieselised." Beyond Redditch it may possibly close down.

BOY WHO DISCOVERED A TREASURE TROVE

THE treasure-trove boy of the Shetland Isles—15-year-old Douglas Coutts—will be in the BBC's Glasgow TV studio for All Your Own, next Sunday.

Douglas is coming from his home town of Lerwick.

Last year he discovered what has come to be known as the St. Ninian's treasure, a collection of ancient ornaments and vessels which caused a stir among the archaeologists. British Museum experts, in fact, described it as one of the most important finds ever made in this country.

The work of eighth-century Scottish craftsmen, the treasure was probably buried to hide it from Viking raiders.

Antiques, by the way, are a favourite hobby of Scots comedian Jimmy Logan, who will be compering All Your Own for the second time running. Jimmy made his name in sound radio in a Home Service series with the similar title, Its All Yours, which ran for four years. Two years ago he appeared every week in BBC Children's TV in Loganberry Pie.



Jimmy Logan, who will be comper of All Your Own on Sunday

FREE FILMS!!★



SEND NOW
FOR THIS
AMAZING
GENUINE
OFFER

ENCLOSING SIX PENNY STAMPS (for postage and packing) STATING SIZE (120:620:127) OF FREE FILM REQUIRED AND RECEIVE BY RETURN YOUR FREE FILM.

LIMITED NUMBER AVAILABLE—SO SEND AT ONCE.
YOUR CASH REFUNDED IF NOT DELIGHTED.

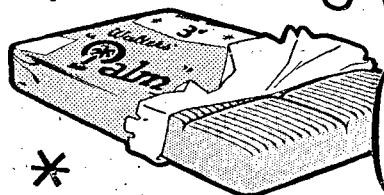
FREEFILMS (Dept. C.N.2), DAWES ROAD, LONDON, S.W.6.

3 ×



=

The biggest 3^d treat of all!



*
In six exciting flavours!

LASTS THE LONGEST—TASTES THE BEST

NEW FILMS

Slice of real life in a hospital ward

HOSPITAL life has often been the subject of films, and the most recent one with this theme is *Life In Emergency Ward 10*, based on a very popular television series. The film is just a slice of real life in one ward of one hospital, but it is produced and acted with great sincerity and it makes great entertainment.

There is one little boy who will steal everybody's heart. He is a little fellow named Christopher Witty, who is taken to hospital with head injuries after an accident.

It is found that these wounds are not very serious. What is serious is that he is suffering from a "hole" in his heart. There begins the fight for his life. His parents are so anxious that at first they do not want him to have the operation. There is another complication. A new surgeon has invented an improvement in a heart-and-lung machine and the head of the hospital has to decide whether they should risk using it on the small boy.

This is a touching story, but it is not a sad one because it is bound up so much with the pleasant hard-working characters who make the hospital run so smoothly. There is the kindly, witty professor-surgeon, played by Wilfrid Hyde White, Michael Craig's



Christopher Witty, who plays the part of David Phillips

dedicated young surgeon, the hard-working nurse Pat Roberts, played by the lovely Australian actress Rosemary Miller, and the charming, sympathetic sister played by Dorothy Alison.

There is a tremendous amount of fun and a tear or two in *Life In Emergency Ward 10* and it does splendidly in reminding us, once again, that there is no more selfless band of people in the world than those who keep our hospitals running so tirelessly.

Go and see a new film called *Imitation of Life*, with Lana Turner and a wonderful coloured actress named Juanita Moore. Lana Turner plays a girl who has always longed to be a great star. She gets to the top but, in so doing, she sacrifices her home life and almost loses the affection of her young daughter.

The problem of Juanita Moore is even more pathetic. Her daughter is nearly white and resents very much the fact that she has a coloured mother. She runs away and brings her mother a lot of unhappiness. Not till her mother's death does she learn that it is the kind of person you are that matters—not the colour of your skin.



Rosemary Miller as Nurse Pat Roberts



David shows his friends a gold watch left in his care—a scene from *Life In Emergency Ward 10*

LAST OF THE BIRD VISITORS

By the end of April most of our summer bird visitors have arrived from Africa, but there are always some species that delay their arrival till the first ten days or so of May.

One of the most conspicuous of these is the swift, the swallow-like bird which dashes round the houses in screaming parties on warm evenings in spring and summer. Swifts still live much nearer to the centre of big towns and cities than the swallows and martins do. They can be seen sometimes, for instance, over the park lakes in Central London, which swallows visit only on migration.

The swift is easily distinguished from the swallow and the two martins (the house martin and the sand martin), because its plumage is all sooty black, except for a slight pale patch on its chin. Its tail, though forked, is much shorter than a swallow's, but its wings are longer and curved like the old-fashioned Oriental sword called a scimitar.

Swifts also have different nesting habits from swallows; they usually build their nest either on the rafters of an old building to which they can gain access through open eaves, or else in cracks in the brick-work high up. Swallows

prefer ledges in such places as barns and boat-houses.

Another late arrival is the swift's relative the nightjar or goatsucker. The curious name goatsucker is a relic of an old country superstition that nightjars suck the milk from goats, which of course is nonsense. "Nightjar" on the other hand refers to the curious "jarring" or "churring"

with trees or by being ploughed up for farmland. Nightjars, like swifts, lay only two eggs, but they lay them on the bare ground, where the sitting bird, with its mottled brown plumage, is almost invisible. They feed on moths, beetles, and other night-flying insects.

The turtle dove is one of the commonest of the later bird migrants, and it is usually early May before its soothing song, *tur-tur, tur-tur*, can be heard in the woods. Though turtle doves do not come into the middle of large towns, like their relatives the woodpigeons, they are quite often seen in parks and big gardens in the suburbs. You can easily recognise them by the white tip to their tail, which is most conspicuous when they fly away. Seen at close quarters, the turtle dove is most handsome, with chestnut upperparts, marked with black, pinkish-purple throat and breast, blue-grey crown and nape, and black-and-white patch on the side of the neck.

This is another bird that lays only two eggs, its nest, usually a few feet up in a bush or tree, is like a miniature woodpigeon's, just a platform of twigs.

One of the latest of all migrants, often not here till the middle of May, is the modest little spotted flycatcher. It is so retiring, and so demurely dressed in its grey-brown plumage, that you would scarcely notice it but for its habit of flying out from a perch, catching a fly or some other winged insect, and flying back again. The spotted flycatcher is not at all uncommon in the suburbs of big towns.

RICHARD FITTER



A swift leaving its nest

noise the bird makes at night, a sound which is not unlike a distant two-stroke motor-bike.

Nightjars are becoming rather scarce in most parts of the country, because they like to breed on open wooded and heathy places, many of which are being destroyed either by being planted

Twelve pence for the jury

A Court in East Sussex which used to sentence minor offenders to be put in the stocks or ducked in the village pond recently met for the first time for 46 years. It was the Court Leet of the Manor of Balneth, dating back to Norman times and met to consider the state of the local commons.

The big crowd in Chailey Parish Hall rose to their feet as the Lord of the Manor took his place between the Deputy Steward and the Land Agent. After the Clerk to the Court had read the notice convening the Court, a Beadle, carrying a 150-year-old staff, called for silence. "Oyez, oyez. (Norman-French for "Hear ye"!)." All persons having business touching the Manor of Balneth draw near and give your attendance."

The names of the eight men and women on the jury were read from slips of paper drawn out of a bowl made out of an ancient yew tree which used to grow in Barcombe Churchyard.

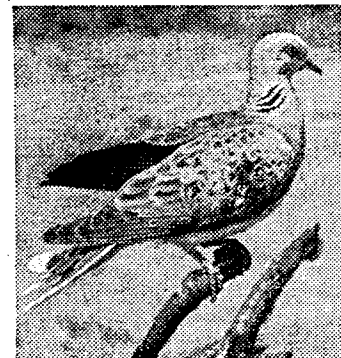
Since there were no disputes awaiting trial by jury, a pair of white gloves was presented to the Lord of the Manor. Then the Court carefully considered many of the problems threatening the beauty and preservation of the local commons. For instance, the Air Ministry, acting without authority, had erected a look-out post near Chailey windmill. Slit trenches, a serious danger to horse-riders, were left on the common after military manoeuvres. Thoughtless picnickers left their litter behind them. Attention was also given to the problem of accidental fires on the commons which inflict much cruelty upon wild creatures.

A nature conservator was

appointed to look after the wild animals and wild flowers; and a pinder (short for "impounder"), the official who has to look after stray animals and put them into the Manor "pound" or enclosure; and two beadles.

The dignified proceedings of the Court ended when the Lord of the Manor introduced all present to the young niece who will eventually succeed him. She, too, will be the *Lord* of the Manor, the title of the Lady of the Manor being reserved for the wife of the Lord.

But before the Court dispersed, the services of the jury were assessed at twelve pence, which they were promptly paid in copper coins. And the Beadle ended the proceedings by announcing: "Oyez, oyez, God save the Queen, and the Lord of the Manor."



Turtle dove John Markham

SEVEN CHOSEN SPACEMEN

Seven American airmen have begun training for man's most daring venture, the attempt to travel far into space in an earth satellite.

Selected from a number of test pilots, all volunteers, they were put through some tough tests which simulated conditions they might meet in space. These tests included being whirled round on a double axis (that is, in two directions at once); working a treadmill while reading the signals from a panel, each signal needing a different response; spending two hours in a temperature of 130 degrees Fahrenheit and also being put into ice-cold water; and spending three hours in the dark in a sound-proof room.

While all this was going on a

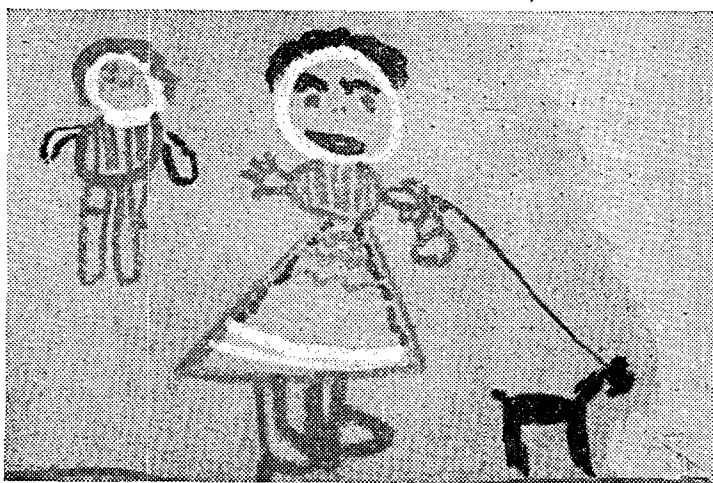
film was made to show the condition of their hearts.

By 1961 it is expected that the first man-carrying satellite will be ready for launching. The seven heroic pioneers will not know until the last minute which of them will have the distinction of being the first man in space. Wearing their special suits, they will wait at the launching ramp until one of them is tapped on the shoulder and told to enter the satellite. All, however, will eventually go on that lonely voyage.

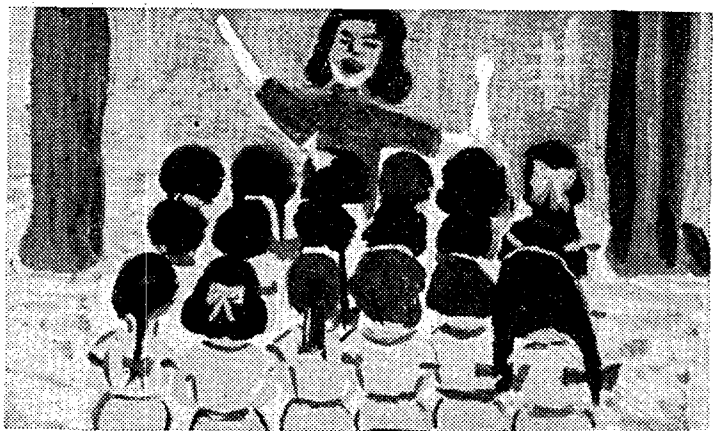
These first space travellers, all married men with children, are facing their ordeal in a matter-of-fact way, treating the experiment as part of their job.

At the Children's R A

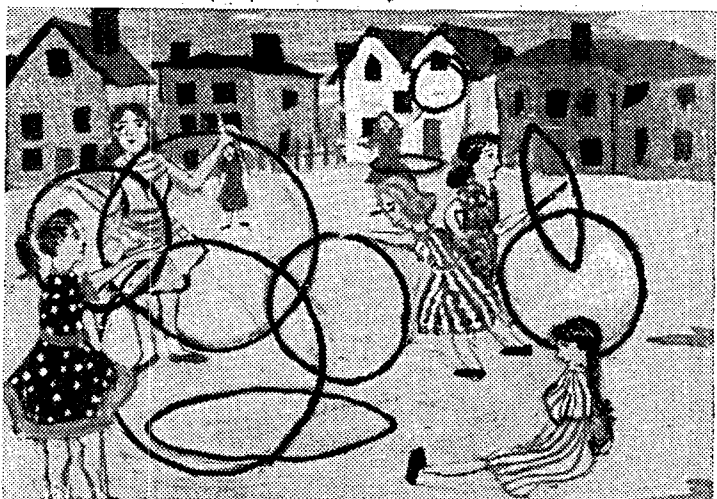
MODERN WEAPONS FOR FIGHTING PESTS



Mummy Taking Poodle Out, by Michael Wride, aged 5



The Singing Lesson, by Chan Fook, aged 11



Girls with Hoops, by Lynn Smith, aged 9



My Wedding when I Grow Up, by Julie Eason, aged 4

Four of the pictures in the Royal Drawing Society's 64th exhibition, on view at the Guildhall Art Gallery, London, till Saturday. The exhibition (popularly called The Children's Royal Academy) will visit Wolverhampton, Worthing, Birkenhead, Bath, and Bristol.

From the earliest times, when primitive man first planted a few seeds of corn in a clearing in the forest men have waged a constant battle against pests seeking to deprive them of the fruits of their labours. Of these, weeds and insects are by far the most important.

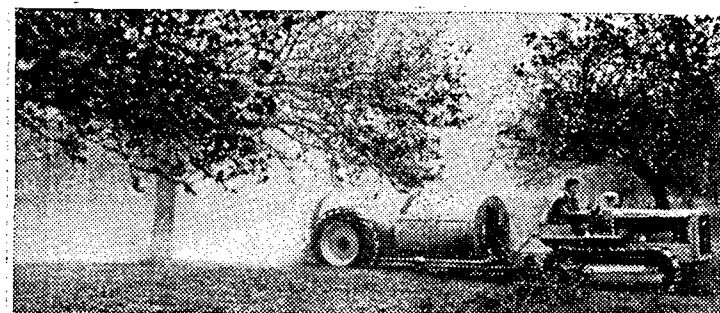
Why is it that farm crops, with all the care and attention given to them, are attacked in this way, when natural vegetation in woodland and hedgerow grows vigorously without any attention at all? Because, wherever a crop is grown, insects which feed on that crop congregate in the area and very quickly multiply under favourable conditions. In the same way, conditions which are favourable to the crop are also favourable to certain weeds.

In the last few years really important progress has been made in the struggle against crop pests. DDT, which is familiar to everyone, solved many of the insect problems. Sprayed on growing crops, it quickly killed all insects with which it came in contact, being particularly effective against the biting and chewing insects and their larvae. Before DDT became available almost one crop of turnips in three was destroyed by the flea beetle, commonly known simply as "the fly"—giving rise to the phrase "the fly be on the turnip."

ATTACKING THE APHIDS

While DDT and a similar material BHC, controlled the chewing and biting insects, they were of little value against the aphids—better known as greenfly and blackfly—which attack many farm crops as well as roses and other garden plants. These insects, besides being partly resistant to DDT, congregate mainly in folds in leaves, flowers, and buds, and so escape the full force of the spray. Also, because they do not eat the foliage but only suck the plant juices, they do not consume the insecticide sprayed on the leaves.

For these aphids another type of



A powerful orchard-sprayer at work

By courtesy of Kent Engineering and Foundry Ltd

material is needed—one which is absorbed into the plant itself and poisons the pest insect when it sucks up the juices. A number of chemicals known as organo-phosphorous compounds are now in widespread use for their control, and some of these are so harmless to human beings and animals that in America they are sprayed over whole towns when plagues of greenfly occur.

CONTROLLING WEEDS

In the control of weeds, much more spectacular results have been obtained. Until 1946, weedkillers were corrosive, poisonous substances; their effectiveness lay in the fact that most weeds have broad, flat leaves which are easily burned up by a spray of a corrosive material like sulphuric acid, whereas young corn plants have long, narrow leaves which are not affected by the spray.

The discovery of the so called "Hormone" weedkillers gave the farmer a new and powerful weapon in his war against weeds. These new products, are really synthetic plant hormones, or growth regulators, and when applied (even in minute doses of less than a pint per acre) they cause a complete breakdown in the growing process of the weeds, which twist up and die within a few days. Cereals and grasses are unharmed, and as these new weedkillers are non-poisonous there is no risk of harm to birds or animals.

Since the discovery of the first

hormone weedkillers, many others of a similar kind have been introduced to control a wider range of weeds with greater safety to the crops.

In 1954 a new chemical known as MCPB was discovered. While not a weedkiller itself, this is absorbed and converted into a weedkiller by the weeds themselves. Grasses and clovers do not carry out the conversion and are unharmed. MCPB is very widely used to kill weeds in pasture where it is essential not to harm clover.

Other hormone weedkillers are used to kill brambles, briars, and scrub growth in hedgerows and ditches—growths which besides choking the hedge, encroach on to arable land and provide shelter for vermin.

There are many people who feel that using chemicals in this way is "going against nature," but after all, every time a farmer sows a seed or uses a plough he is "going against nature", or rather exploiting nature in some way to produce bigger and better crops to satisfy the world's increasing demand for more food.

W. H. B.

75 YEARS WED

Mr. and Mrs. John Downham of Nottingham have celebrated their 75th wedding anniversary. They are both 98. Mr. Downham walked two miles to market to get a chicken for the anniversary dinner.

At the Sign of the Green Triangle

National Youth Hostels Week starts on Saturday and will go on until May 10. Thousands of youth hostellers will be singing the praises of their grand movement, and inviting friends to visit one of the hostels on Open Day, May 10.

Such a visit will be an eye-opener for those who have never known the fun of a youth-hostel holiday. They will marvel at what is provided at a small cost: 1s. 6d. a night for the under-sixteens and 3s. for others; a three-course supper and breakfast for 5s.; or cook your own food in the Hostel kitchen for 3d.

But it will be explained that this is only possible because the guests themselves lend a hand, for "do-it-yourself" is a principle of youth hostelling and holiday ramblers do their own chores.

Members of the Association also form voluntary work parties to repair and decorate local hostels, often tackling quite big jobs like laying water mains, installing electricity, or even building.

Many of the hostels are in interesting old buildings. One that used to be a Yorkshire rectory is said to be haunted by a spectral coach and horses. Some are in old mills, and among others are a former shepherd's hut, a Norman castle, a lifeboat house, a glove factory, a ropewalk, and a railway station.

All are marked with the sign of the green triangle, which, to the healthily tired walker or cyclist, means a hearty welcome, jolly companionship, good food, and sound sleep in one of the Association's 13,361 beds.

Youth hostelling is often a

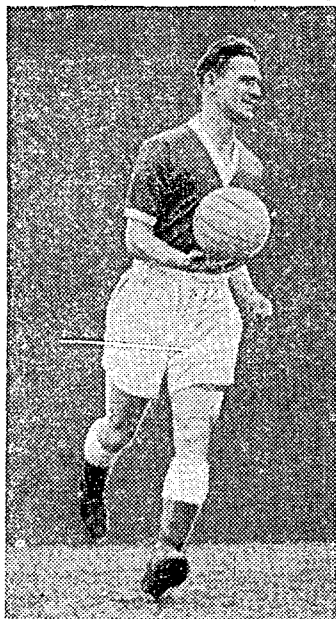
family affair, and last year the Family Membership scheme was introduced. Under this, boys and girls from five to sixteen can join without paying the annual subscription if both parents are members of the Y.H.A. No fewer than 1444 families enrolled to explore, inexpensively, "England's green and pleasant land."

THIRSTY BRITAIN

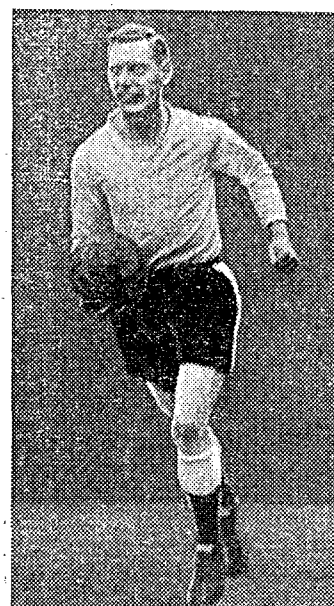
Britain is consuming nearly 350 million gallons of soft (non-alcoholic) drinks a year, as against some 112 million gallons in 1938.

There are now more than 800 separate firms manufacturing soft drinks in the United Kingdom—most of them relatively small firms catering for a particular district.

UP FOR THE CUP AT WEMBLEY



Jim Burkitt, left-half and captain of Nottingham Forest



Syd Owen, centre-half and captain of Luton Town

FACTS ABOUT THE CUP

THE first F.A. Cup was stolen from a shop window where it was being displayed. It was never seen or heard of again. The second Cup was presented to Lord Kinnaird in 1910 to mark his 21 years as President of the F.A.

The present Cup is the third. It weighs 175 ounces and is 19 inches high.



Fifteen teams entered for the first Cup competition in 1872. The final was played at Kennington Oval before 2000 spectators.

The Wanderers, an amateur side, won it five times between 1872 and 1878.

The first Cup Final played at Wembley was in 1923. More than 200,000 people invaded the stadium, forming human walls for the touchlines.

The Cup has only once been won by a non-English club—Cardiff in 1927.

On Saturday, to the roar of 100,000 voices and watched by more than eight million televiewers, Luton Town and Nottingham Forest will march on to Wembley's green turf for the greatest event in the soccer calendar—the F.A. Cup Final.

THE journey to the Cup Final is never an easy one, and both of this season's finalists came near to defeat by clubs in humbler circles. Nottingham Forest came within an inch of losing to the plucky amateur side of Tooting and Mitcham, and Luton Town only just managed to triumph over Norwich City after 180 minutes' play.

Both clubs will be making their first appearance at Wembley. Nottingham Forest have won the Cup once before—but that was 61 years ago, when they beat Derby County at the Crystal Palace. Four times previously they had reached the semi-finals.

Nottingham Forest was formed in 1865 by members of a shinty club (shinty being an old variation of hockey). At first they played a mixture of rugby and soccer. In fact, it is on record that their first match was won by a "place kick."

Luton Town, formed ten years later, have never progressed further in the F.A. Cup competition than the quarter-finals. "The Hatters" (so named because Luton

is a hat-making centre) have never been one of the prominent clubs, but they can claim the distinction of being the first club in the south to pay their players. In 1937 the club entered Division II, and in 1955 the First Division.

If history is anything to go by, Luton should win on Saturday. Only four Third Division clubs have ever reached the semi-finals of the Cup and on each occasion the team that beat them has gone on to win the trophy. And Luton beat Third-Division Norwich City in this year's semi-finals.

But supporters of Nottingham Forest can also get some comfort from the records, which show that on many occasions the team that beat the holders have gone to win the Final. This year Nottingham Forest beat the holders (Bolton Wanderers) in the quarter-finals.

Certainly Nottingham Forest are one of the most skilful football sides in the country, playing with an artistry delightful to watch. Luton Town, with captain Syd Owen dominating in a close-marking, hard-tackling defence, are a

formidable team capable of producing a leisurely, precise brand of soccer on firm grounds.

Whatever the outcome of the 78th Cup Final it should certainly prove an attractive match.

(Footnote. Three weeks ago Luton beat Nottingham Forest 5-1 in a League match. But Forest had four first-team players missing.)

THE MAN WITH THE WHISTLE

JUST as it is the ambition of every soccer player to appear in the Cup Final at Wembley, so it is the ambition of every referee to have charge of the game.

Mr. Jack Clough, of Bolton, would have realised his ambition many years ago but for the fact that during the past seven years one of the teams in the Final has been from Lancashire. And referees are not selected from the county of either of the competing clubs.

But Mr. Clough will be no stranger to Wembley, for he has officiated at more than 20 international matches as well as in the 1956 Amateur Cup Final.



Nottingham Forest mascot

Sporting Flashbacks

THE WHITE OF LUTON TOWN F.C. WILL BE WORN BY HUNDREDS OF THEIR SUPPORTERS AT THE F.A. CUP FINAL, BUT WHITE HAS NOT ALWAYS BEEN THE CLUB COLOUR...

ON THEIR FORMATION IN 1885 LUTON TURNED OUT GAILY IN NAVY BLUE AND PINK SHIRTS, WITH CAPS TO MATCH. FOUR YEARS LATER THE COLOUR WAS COCHINEAL (RED) AND FROM 1900 TO 1920 IT WAS SKY BLUE.



LAST SURVIVOR OF THE TEAM THAT WON THE F.A. CUP FOR NOTTINGHAM FOREST IN 1898.

FRANK FORMAN
WAS BORN AT ASTON-ON-TRENT, DERBYSHIRE...

A FEW DAYS AFTER THE FOREST'S VICTORY OVER DERBY COUNTY HE WRAPPED THE CUP IN BROWN PAPER AND TOOK IT TO HIS NATIVE VILLAGE SO THAT ALL COULD ADMIRE IT CLOSE UP.

THEN, AS NOW, NOTTINGHAM FOREST PLAYED IN RED. IT HAS BEEN THEIR COLOUR FROM THE START (1865) AND THEY, TOO, WORE CAPS IN THE EARLY DAYS.

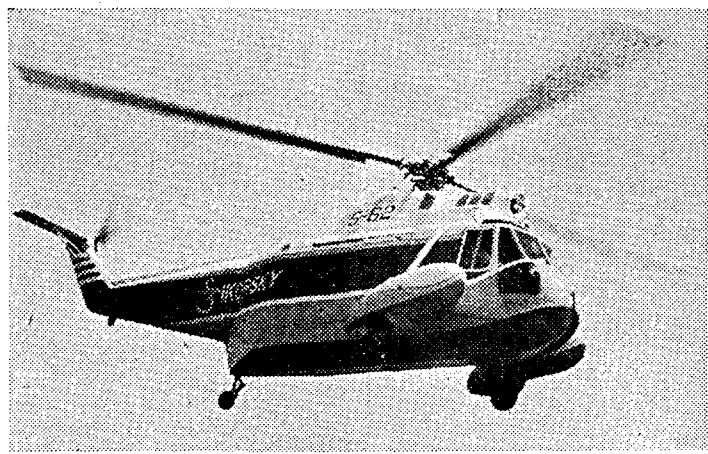


FRANK FORMAN IN HIS PLAYING DAYS



The Hat Brigade of Luton will be well to the fore on Saturday

This Turbocopter goes anywhere



Los Angeles Airways, the world's oldest scheduled helicopter airline, is shortly to introduce the remarkable Sikorsky S-62, a gas-turbine helicopter which can operate from land, sea, marsh, ice, or snow.

It carries ten passengers within its flying-boat hull, and can be quickly converted to carry mail or cargo.

As with fixed-wing turboprop airliners, one of the great benefits of gas-turbine power is the greater passenger comfort brought about by the vibration-free flight and reduced noise.

CAMERA PRIZES

The five prize cameras for correct entries in CN Competition No. 22 were awarded to Richard Adam, Fetcham; Josephine Fenner, London, S.W.11; Kevin Overton, Redcar; Marjorie Savage, Wallington; and Arthur Tuppen, Beccles.

The ten runners-up who won fountain-pens are Ruth Anstey, Bristol; Robert Boothroyd, Birmingham; Gillian Canter, Harrow; Stephen Doe, Norwich; Veronica Greaves, Ware; John Green, St. Albans; Alison Hodge, London, S.E.12; John Jackson, Sheffield; Julia Kelsall, Leeds; and Andrew Murden, Birmingham.

The animals hidden in the picture were Alligator, Bison, Black Panther, Giraffe, Leopard, Lioness, Llama, and Zebra.

Rare birds go to Sussex

Sussex, second only to Norfolk in the variety of its bird life, added two more species, black stork and red-breasted goose, to its big list of birds, in 1958. The Sussex Bird Report for last year, just published, reveals this. Among other rare birds seen in the county were the little egret, red-crested pochard, purple heron, kite, red-footed falcon, bee-eater, and aquatic warbler.

Hoopoes were seen more often than in any other recent year, while during the summer more eiders appeared off the coast than ever before. Flocks of about 70, seen in January and February, were by far the largest ever recorded in the county. The fulmar is another sea bird now expected in quite big numbers, specially among the chalk cliffs between Eastbourne and Brighton. On the other hand, there were fewer gannets than usual.

The hobby, little ringed plover, stone curlew, and black redstart again bred successfully in Sussex. Two cuckoo's eggs were found together in the same meadow pipit's nest at Darwell Reservoir, near Hastings, and a pair of tree sparrows brought up a family on an old barge near Selsey.

LOOKING AT THE SKY

Marvels of Castor and Pollux

THE planet Mars is now in the western sky in the evening and may be found with the aid of the stars Castor and Pollux of the constellation of Gemini. These bright stars are high in the west between 9 and 10 o'clock and will be readily recognised from the accompanying star-map.

Pollux, the brightest, and Castor are of about first magnitude, but Mars is now of only $1\frac{1}{2}$ magnitude and so will not appear quite so bright as the two Twin Stars.

The present position of Mars is indicated on the star-map, while the curved arrow shows the path it will follow during the next four weeks. By then Mars will appear to be almost in line with the two stars, being about as far below Pollux as this star is below Castor.

The great reduction in the radiance of Mars as compared with last year is due to the planet's vastly increased distance, now about 165 million miles instead of the 44 million miles of six months

ago. So seen through an astronomical telescope, the disc of Mars now appears to be only about one-quarter the width it was then.

There is an immense difference in the distance from us of the two stars and Mars. For instance, at the present time, the light from Mars takes a little more than 15 minutes to reach us, but that from Pollux, the nearest of the Twin Stars takes about 32 years.

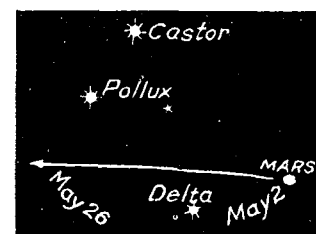
Pollux is nearly twice the diameter of our Sun and radiates about 28 times more light and heat. But the "clouds of fire" which envelope the vast surface of Pollux are at a lower temperature than those that cover the surface of our Sun.

This lower temperature indicates that Pollux is actually an older sun than ours, having radiated away so much of its surface heat—4200 degrees Centigrade, against our Sun's 6000 degrees.

Pollux is not known to have any

planetary bodies revolving round its great sphere but if it had they would probably be too faint to see at that distance.

Castor presents a very different scene in its wonderful solar system, which averages between 42 and 43 light-years' journey from us. This solar system of Castor is much grander and vaster than ours because it possesses two pairs of suns. Each pair consists of one



sun somewhat bigger than ours and one somewhat smaller—but both much more brilliant than our Sun. Together this quartet radiate about 38 times more light than our Sun.

The suns of the brighter pair average about 2,500,000 miles apart and they revolve round their mutual centre of gravity very rapidly in only $9\frac{1}{2}$ days. The other pair average about 1,600,000 miles apart, revolving in about three days.

Each pair is an enormous distance apart, averaging 7,440,000,000 miles, and it takes something like 300 years for each pair to complete a vast orbit round their common centre.

G. F. M.

TWO DAYS UNDER WATER

Four U.S. Navy frogmen wearing aqualung equipment recently spent 48 hours under water in a heated swimming pool, thus breaking the previous record of 41 hours. They took liquid food from tubes, slept, read, listened to the radio through hydrophones, and played draughts.

STRIKING OIL IN DORSET

The little Dorset village of Kimmeridge has been in the news because oil has been found there at a depth of 1800 feet and drilling is to continue to 4000 feet.

Halfway between St. Alban's Head and Lulworth Cove, Kimmeridge is so small that there is not even a school there—its half-dozen children go by bus to school a few miles away—but this is not the first time it has seen industrial activity.

In the 16th century the local squire, Sir William Clavell, had an alum-producing plant at Kimmeridge and built a little harbour to export it. In Charles the First's time it had a thriving glassworks. Still later a company of Frenchmen started to work the local shale and shipped grease and lamp oil to France. But this venture was unsuccessful, and the company was wound up.

Then there is the "coal money" that children pick up on the beach or in the fields at Kimmeridge. This consists of little black discs, about the size of half-a-crown, and hard and smooth like jet. At one time the discs were thought to be an ancient form of money, but they are in fact the refuse of an industry that was started as far back as the days of the Roman occupation. Having discovered the black bituminous shale in the Kimmeridge area, the Romans set up lathes and made ornaments for their homes and bracelets for their women folk. The black discs are just the waste cores dropped from the lathes.

Now an attempt is being made to develop the untapped oil resources of the Kimmeridge shale. Whether the oil reserves are big enough to be worked successfully yet remains to be seen.

THE HOUND OF THE BASKERVILLES A SHERLOCK HOLMES ADVENTURE



INSTALMENT 4. With a gasp of horror, Barrymore wheeled round as Watson and Sir Henry caught him signalling from a window of Baskerville Hall. He said he was seeing that all the windows were fastened.



Watson took the candle and moved it to and fro across the window. Immediately there was an answering light from far out on the moor. "It is nothing, sir, I assure you," exclaimed the butler. "Move the light across the window again, Watson," cried Sir Henry. "See, the other moves also! Now, you rascal, do you deny it is a signal?"



"Who is your confederate out yonder?" demanded Sir Henry, "and what is this conspiracy that is going on?" Defiantly, Barrymore refused to explain. "It is my business, not yours," he said sullenly.



"You leave my employment right away!" cried Sir Henry. Then Mrs. Barrymore entered. She turned pale when her husband said: "We have to go, Eliza. This is the end of it. You can pack our things." In an anguished voice she exclaimed, "It is my doing, Sir Henry—all mine!"

This picture-version is being given by permission of the Trustees of the Estate of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, and the publishers, Messrs. John Murray

What has Mrs. Barrymore to do with the mysterious signaller on the moor? See next week's instalment.

A new serial adapted from the Children's Film Foundation production

THE DAWN KILLER

By Monica Edwards

An unknown killer-dog has been attacking sheep on Romney Marsh. Tom Hoddys' big cross-bred, Lion, is generally suspected, but the Hoddys are saying the Hawkes' collie, Glen, is the killer. Nancy Dickson's Alsatian tracker-dog, Dinah, has been brought on to a farm where a sheep was recently killed, in the hope that she will track the killer. Twelve-year-old Colin Hawkes and his younger sister Anna are among the followers.

6. The last hour

DINAH drew deep breaths, snuffing on the ground as she cast around for a definite scent; then suddenly she set off in a purposeful way with Nancy on the end of the line. Everyone strode off after her, like followers at a hunt; and sheep at the far end of the field stood huddled together nervously, gazing with deep suspicion at this second alien dog to

Dinah was now at the full length of her line and going fast. Everyone was half-running behind her, and Mr. Hawkes and Nancy gradually left the others behind.

As she trotted along Anna looked worried.

"If it really is Lion, would he have to be shot?"

Colin paused to tie up a shoelace and then dashed on.

"All killers are shot, always."

"Perhaps it could be a fox, or something?"

"Look—she's lost the scent at the dyke."

The long tracking-line was lying loose now as the dog hunted backwards and forwards along the bank of the broad water-filled dyke. Coming up one by one, according to the states of their wind and leg-muscles, the followers gathered on the edge and watched her. Nancy Dickson coiled in the loose line.

"But anyone can see the way she was heading—eh, Jack? Looks rather like Hoddys' place, doesn't it? More or less what people were thinking, if it comes to that. But it isn't enough to go on."

Back over the bridge, Nancy was taking Dinah's harness off.

"I'm sorry we didn't have better luck. Perhaps next time."

Mr. Jakes nodded pessimistically.

"Ah, yes, there's sure to be a next time."

Cathy and Anna walked back across the fields with Nancy, but Colin walked with his father and Dick Jakes, who was saying: "It's a pity all this talk's been going around about Glen. That's Hoddys' doing, you know."

Reward offered

Mr. Hawkes nodded.

"I know."

"Now look, a few of us were talking in the Woolpack last night, and we thought that if we all got together and put up a reward—say £40—for catching the killer, we might get somewhere. You'd join us, wouldn't you?"

"I'll not only join you, Dick; I'll set the first watch tonight. My old looker won't mind a night on the Marsh; he's done it often enough at lambing time, and in far worse weather than this."

"Of course, you're a dog short now, I hear," Mr. Jakes remarked.

"Yes; usually we reckon on Glen guarding the flocks for us at night, but the less he gets around on that paw until after the Trials, the better."

Colin didn't usually interrupt a purely grown-up conversation, but this time he really had something to say.

Colin's suggestion

"Dad, couldn't we shut Glen in, just for a couple of nights or so? Even one night might be enough. Then if more sheep are attacked we can prove it wasn't him."

His father shook his head.

"We've never shut him up and we never will. Ever since he first began to work he's had his mat in the front porch and the door left open for him. And I'll tell you something; if I locked him up for one night I believe we'd have dead sheep by the morning."

Mr. Jakes nodded, opening the farm gate for them.

"It's true, you know, Colin. Just knowing there's a dog free on the place is quite enough to make a killer think twice about making an attack. Especially a clever killer, like this one we're up against now."

Colin sighed, and thought that if the decision were left to him he would gladly sacrifice the lives of half a dozen sheep to prove Glen's innocence; and then, remembering the shocking sight of the dead and savaged ewe at the

hawthorns, he wasn't quite so sure; but he was almost sure, all the same.

Old Eli calmly accepted the job of staying up on guard all night to keep watch over the flocks. The only thing that worried him was the possibility that he might fail his master this time. Trudging out with Shep under a sunset reddened sky he explained to the dog:

"Fact is, Shep ole son, we're both uncommon sleepy, arter the last two nights we was on watch together. Course, the master he don't know we been on watch before; but I dudden reckon I were going to tellim."

Eli on guard

The old collie looked up at him trustfully and trotted on at heel, a little more stiffly now that he was getting to be an old gentleman himself.

While the light lasted they made the rounds of the flocks, Eli carrying a brown rug over his shoulder, like a Scottish shepherd, and in his pocket a flask of hot tea that Cathy had made for him. Under one arm was his 12-bore shotgun, already loaded.

"Seems all ship-shape 'n Bristol fashion, ole son," he said to his dog presently, the seafaring language of the district creeping into his speech as it occasionally did. "Getten too dark, really, to see much until the moon hitches up above them clouds. I lay we better set down a bit, agen the hawthorns."

The old looker found a dry

place, with a hawthorn tree to rest his back against. Spreading his rug so that the collie could have a corner of it, he wrapped the rest of it up over his shoulders and settled down with his gun across his knees.

"It'll be a long watch, Shep. Three nights without shut-eye is a tidy stretch fer old codgers like us, but us'll have a good go at it."

After an hour or two, though the moon was now up and the whole Marsh shining, Eli Hoad found himself beginning to nod.

"Feeling sleepy, are we? That won't do, Shep. Us'll have a drop of warm tea, shall us? And then we'll shift along a bit."

Their next position was near to the sea-wall, in the lee of a net-shed; but here old Eli went so far as to doze for a full ten minutes, to his absolute horror. With great gravity he turned to address the collie.

Sharing the tea

"Well, thass the last chance," he said, as if they were criminals whom he was ruthlessly sentencing. "No more trees to rest me back on, nor sheds fer to break the wind, cosy like. Shep, us'll sit out in the middle of the Marsh, and see how we like that! And you was nodding, old man," he said severely. Then his voice changed to its old gentle tone again as he unscrewed the top of the flask and peered inside it. "There be just enough left fer the two of us, I reckon."

Out in the middle of the Marsh,

Continued on page 10



With Dinah straining at the line, Nancy and Mr. Hawkes lead the way

come among them within a single day.

Anna said breathlessly: "She's going towards the village."

"No she isn't; she's swinging round." Colin swung after her.

Dinah was pulling into her harness now, trying to go faster. Jack Hawkes was wishing he were a better runner, and Mr. Jakes was certain that the pace would bring on his asthma. Anna suddenly gripped her brother's arm.

"Colin! Straight towards our farm, now!"

"Don't be silly; can't you see the trail snakes a bit? The general direction is really Hoddys' place."

Cathy said: "Doesn't she set a pace? My word, yes, she really is making for the Hoddys'."

"Perhaps she'll find it again on the other side. Whatever it is that she's tracking must have crossed over, perhaps by the plank bridge or through the water or by jumping." Calling Dinah in to heel she crossed over by the planks and set her to cast around again on the farther bank.

The Alsatian went this way and that way, nose to the ground. Sometimes she circled and sometimes she turned right round in her tracks, but she never left the dyke for any distance. The high hopes of the early part of the trail began sadly to diminish. Nancy called the dog in.

"I don't think it's any good going on now. Sheep have probably moved about a lot here and confused the scent. What a pity!"

Mr. Jakes squared his shoulders.

FREE ENTRY!

ENTER THE

Koola Fruta

COMPETITION

The lollies with the lovely flavours

—you can start now! *

HERE'S WHAT YOU HAVE TO DO:

Colour the lolly printed here. This week's flavour is **CHOCOLATE**. Match your chocolate colour as closely as you can to the real lolly as this will be considered in the judging. Buy a chocolate flavour Koola lolly and get it just right. When you've coloured in the lolly cut it out and keep it in a safe place. You'll need this to complete your entry. **DON'T SEND IN ENTRIES YET.** Watch out for next week's edition for the next step in the treasure trail.

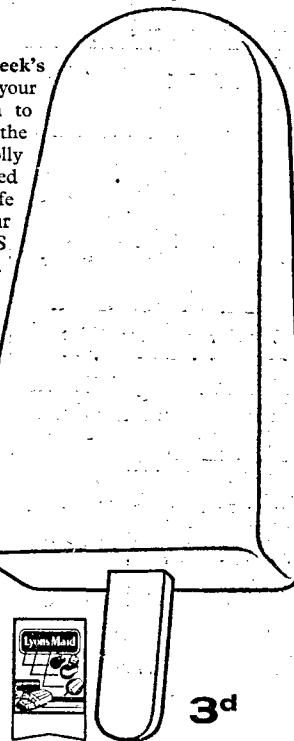
* If you are starting this week you will have to complete the previous three entries. Do this by taking tracings of the lolly shape and colouring them **orange, spearmint and strawberry.**

100 PRIZES

Winners choose from:
Bicycle • Everest Watch
Typewriter • Guitar • Portable
Gramophone • Transistor Radio
Self-Winding Watch
Electric Racing Cars

Also **PREMIUM BONDS** and consolation prizes of Koola Fruta Vouchers for free lollies!

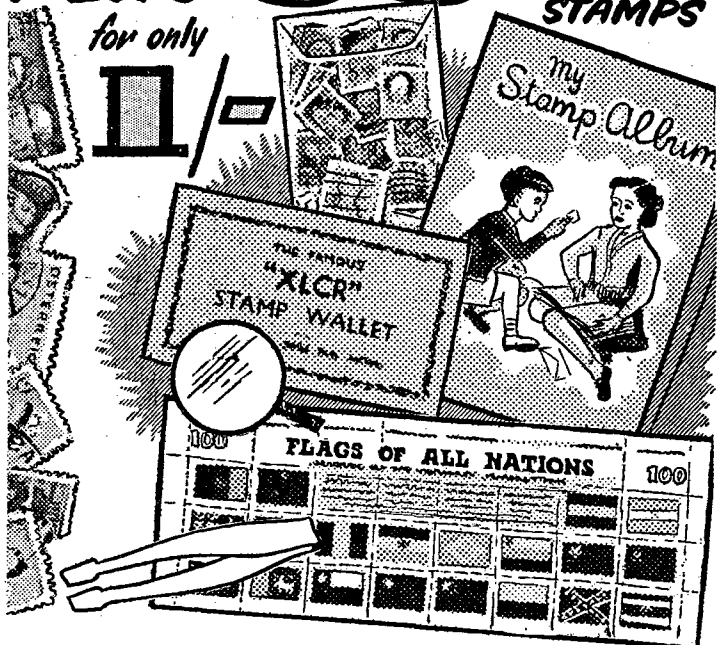
Buy Koola Fruta where you see this sign



3d

COMPLETE STAMP COLLECTING OUTFIT

PLUS 55 DIFFERENT STAMPS



This fine collector's kit includes a grand 44-page Stamp Album with 238 illustrations, stamp identifier, packet of mounting hinges, watermark detector, special "swaps" wallet with perforation gauge, metal stamp tweezers, super magnifying glass, large sheet of 100 flags of the world, facsimile of world's rarest stamp (original worth £30,000!) AND special collection of 55 all different stamps to start you on this grand hobby! This outfit gives hours of fun—is worth 5/-, but it is yours for only 1/- if you ask to see our Special Approvals—no need to buy any of these. Just send 1/- today, plus 3d. for postage, making 1/3 in all, in stamps. Please tell your parents.

PHILATELIC SERVICES (Dept. C.N.I.)
EASTINGTON, GOOLE, YORKS.

133 DIFFERENT STAMPS FREE!

Just send us your name and address and you will receive a wonderful packet of 133 different stamps also the famous Old Queen Victoria Stamp of Great Britain ABSOLUTELY FREE OF CHARGE together with a selection of Approvals. Tell your parents you are writing. Please enclose 3d. postage.

BRIDGNORTH STAMP CO. LTD.
(Dept. A.54), BRIDGNORTH, SHROPSHIRE.

FREE 17/- (CATALOGUE VALUE) PACKET OF 100 ALL DIFF. STAMPS PLUS SUPER PERFORATION GAUGE

to all applicants asking to see my famous 4d. upwards Approvals. British Colonial or Foreign. Don't delay, write today enclosing 4d. in stamps for postage. Please tell your Parents.

C. T. BUSH (CN33),
53 Newlyn Way, Parkstone, Poole, DORSET.

STAMP PACKETS OF QUALITY (All Different)

12 Herm Island	2/-	25 Uruguay	1/3
50 Spain	1/-	25 Turkey	1/3
50 France	1/-	50 N. Zealand	3/-
100 China	1/6	100 Chile	5/-
100 Hungary	2/-	25 Malaya	1/6
50 Eire	4/6	25 Burma	2/-
50 Gt. Britain	2/-	25 Jamaica	3/6
(All Obsolete)	2/-	50 Australia	2/6
100 —do—	8/6	50 India	1/3
100 Brazil	7/-	10 Syria	1/-
10 Siam	1/-	25 Finland	1/-
25 Cuba	1/3	25 Colombia	1/-
		100 Br. Empire	3/6

Orders under 5/- please add 3d. return postage.

8-Page List of Albums, Sets, Packets, etc., included free with all orders. List of USED G.B. stamps 1855-1955 sent on request. Prompt despatch. No Approvals.

J. A. L. FRANKS (Dept. C.N.),
7 Allington St., Victoria, London, S.W.1

FREE DO YOU KNOW

That every British Colony issued stamps to commemorate the Silver Wedding of King George VI and Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother in 1947? That we will send three of these stamps to YOU, as illustrated. ABSOLUTELY FREE! Just ask to see our Superior Discount Approvals, enclosing 3d. stamp for postage. (Overseas 1/6.) Please tell your parents.

M. HUTCHINSON (55)
Old Cedars Cottage,
Westwood Hill,
Sydenham, S.E.23



THE WORLD OF STAMPS

POSTAGE stamps came into existence when Sir Rowland Hill persuaded Parliament how unfair, and uneconomical, was the old-fashioned system of charging postage on a letter according to the distance it had to travel. Rowland Hill proposed a new scheme. Letters weighing up to half an ounce, he said, should be delivered anywhere in Great Britain for a penny.

On May 1, 1840, as part of the new scheme, black penny stamps, and blue twopenny stamps for heavier letters, were placed on sale at British post offices. On May 6 the stamps came into use.

A portrait of Queen Victoria was chosen for the design of the Penny Black and the Twopenny Blue. This was not done so much as a compliment to Her Majesty but because the government considered that forgers would find it harder to copy a portrait than any other design; a difference of even a few lines would noticeably alter the Queen's expression.

The Queen was so pleased with her portrait on the Penny Black that throughout her long reign the portrait never changed. Even in 1900, when the Queen was a very old lady, new stamps were still showing her as a girl!

Over 60 million Penny Blacks were printed and many have survived, so that it is not a rare stamp. But almost every collector

tries to obtain at least one specimen for his collection and this has resulted in a steady rise in the value of the stamp. In 1900 a collector could buy a Penny Black for sixpence; by 1940 the price had risen to five shillings; and today a clean, undamaged specimen with a light postmark usually costs £3 or more. The Twopenny Blue is even more expensive.

The success of the British penny postage scheme led other countries to copy it and when the centenary of the first stamps was celebrated in 1940 several special issues were made in Sir Rowland Hill's honour. Portugal issued eight stamps in the design pictured here, while Salvador and Nicaragua also issued stamps bearing Sir Rowland's portrait.

In Britain, although the Second World War was raging, the centenary was marked by the issue of six stamps portraying Queen Victoria and King George VI. Stamps of this 1940 series are still fairly plentiful (except perhaps the 3d. value, which is not easy to find in really fine used condition) and they make an excellent substitute if the collector does not possess a Penny Black.

Sir Rowland Hill would certainly have been amazed if he could have foreseen how popular his new-fangled postage stamps have become. Even great men like



Franklin Roosevelt, President of the United States until his death in 1945, have found stamp collecting a fascinating and worth-while hobby, as the Monaco stamp shown here reminds us.

C. W. HILL



More whoopers on the wing

The whooping crane is the rarest of North American birds; in fact, five years ago only 17 of them were known to exist. Now the Canadian Wildlife Service has announced that there are 38, the biggest number since the keeping of records began 20 years ago.

Last spring 26 adult whooping cranes left their winter quarters in Texas and flew north to the Wood Buffalo National Park, 2000 miles away in northern Alberta. There they nested, and when autumn came nine young birds were among the 32 cranes which flew back to Texas. In addition to these 32 whooping cranes there are six in zoos at New Orleans and San Antonio.

with nothing at all to break the wind that gusted past them, Eli and Shep sat huddled in the rug. The old man's arms were clasped round his knees, the gun in his hands. From under the folds of the rug the black nose of the collie protruded. He was a more comfortable dog now, for all Eli's threats; than he had been under the hawthorn or against the net-shed.

The slow hours were heavy on Eli's head, but still he and the dog watched on; listening to the comfortable sounds of the grazing sheep and the wind in the reeds; staring at the moon and the flocks and the sudden silent movement

BRAVE GUIDE OF KILIMANJARO

Countless people have climbed Kilimanjaro, Africa's highest mountain. But there is one man who has climbed it many hundreds of times.

He is Johane bin Selim, who has just retired after 35 years of guiding climbers up this 19,000-foot mountain.

In this year's New Year Honours, he was awarded the British Empire Medal for saving a climber's life. The man fell on the ice near the summit and broke his skull. A stretcher was improvised and Johane—with the help of porters—carried him all the way down the mountain to the nearest doctor—a total distance of 32 miles.

THE DAWN KILLER

Continued from page 9

of an owl. Then Eli's head fell on to his knees, and the old dog also slept; but it was almost dawn; the last hour.

The sky was silver in the east when the gun slipped from Eli's hands and woke him and the dog with a start. The realisation that he had slept, after all his firm resolve, was a very severe shock to him. He spoke no word but stiffly rose and picked up his gun and rug and trudged off, heavy in his heart, towards the sheep in the hawthorn area.

Before he could properly see them in the drifting early mist, Eli knew that the flock was troubled.

To be continued

TRIANGLE STAMPS FREE!

Set of 25 COLOURED BUTTERFLIES STAMPS FREE! Send 3d. postage and request Approval selection. (Please tell your parents.)

ROSEBURY STAMP SERVICE
(Dept. C), 37 Rosebury Road, Epsom

★ 2/6 STAMP FREE ★

This King George VI stamp of Great Britain, together with Royal Visit, Coronation and Silver Jubilee stamps is offered FREE to applicants for my Bargain Approvals and enclosing 3d. for postage. Please tell your parents before replying.

S. W. SALMON (Dept. C.39),
119 Beechcroft Road, IPSWICH

TWENTY FIVE STAMPS

All World (worth over 3/-) All Different Also Pair of FREE! Perforation Gauge Envelope 5d. stamp to cover postage of gifts and request to see our Approvals. If Free Stamp Album also required send 1/- P.O. to cover postage. Please tell your parents.

MYERS & CO (Dept. CN.28),
42 Castlevue Gardens, Ilford, Essex

TAME MICE

White or Piebald Mice . . . pair 5/3 Cages . . . 7/6 Book on Mice . . . 3/6 List 2d.

PITT FRANCIS, C.N.
MOUSE FARM, FERNDALE, GLAM.

MATCHBOX LABELS

100 World . . . 4/- 200 World . . . 7/6 150 Asian . . . 6/- 50 Belgian . . . 2/9 Set of 12 Czech. Maize . . . 1/6 Set of 8 U.S.S.R. Monuments . . . 2/- Matchbox Label Album holding 375 Labels 3/- Approvals on request. Please tell your Parents.

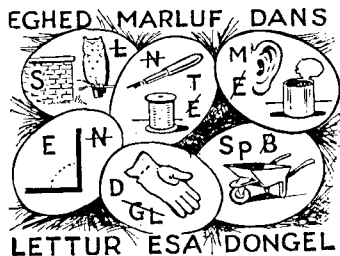
PHILLABEL LTD.
59 Shakespeare Cres, Manor Park, London, E.12

PUZZLE PARADE

NAME HIM

A SCOTSMAN who was a fine novelist and dramatist. One time on a Nottingham paper. He wrote a number of novels and had many successful plays on the London stage. His most remembered play, specially written for young people, gives its revenue to the Great Ormonde Street Hospital for Sick Children.

FIND THE BIRDS



LETTER ESADONGEL
FIRST identify the six birds suggested in the pictures. Then sort out the jumbled words and link each with its appropriate picture.

CAN YOU READ THIS?

Can you discover the sentence suggested here?

paid

UIR

worked

BLOCK OF 100 MINT PLUS 100 USED STAMPS PLUS PERFORATION GAUGE OR WATERMARK DETECTOR FREE!

Just write for my list (Packets etc. from 1/3), order one, and the stamps offered above will be sent free with your purchase. Enclose 6d. for postage, etc. I feel certain you won't regret it. Please tell your parents.

R. STAMP, 57 ALLER PARK ROAD, NEWTON ABBOTT

101 STAMPS OF THE WORLD—FREE

This fine packet of stamps (all different) is offered free to readers who send 4d. postage and ask to see our Discount Approvals. (Price without Approvals—1/- post free.) Please tell your parents.

SUMMIT STAMPS, SEATON, WORKINGTON, ENGLAND

MATCHBOX LABELS

25 diff.	50 diff.	100 diff.
Finland 1/9	Russia 4/-	Sweden 5/-
Hungary 2/6	Macau 3/-	Austria 7/6
Jugoslavia 2/-	Japan 2/-	Czech 5/-
Poland 1/9	Belgium 2/6	World 4/-
Holland 1/6	India 2/6	Italy 7/6
Portugal 2/-	G. Britain 4/-	Swiss 7/6

OR send 3d. and receive Approvals with free MALTESE label. Tell your parents.

E.R.W. LTD. (Dept. "C") 12 Sicilian Ave., London, W.C.1

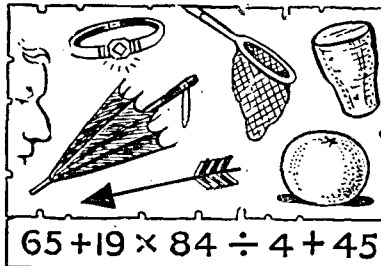


We offer you an ultra-rapid British-Made "Gratisspool" film FREE! So that you may try the amazing Gratisspool Developing and Printing Service. NO "CATCH." Send this advert., with name, address and 1/- for postage and purchase tax only. Free film will be sent by return. THESE SIZES ONLY, 620, 120 & 127. FAMOUS FOR 20 YEARS.

GRATISSPOOL LTD.
(Dept. C.N.6), GLASGOW, C.1

WHERE AND WHEN WAS THIS BATTLE?

IDENTIFY the objects illustrated here. When you have done so, take the initial letters and arrange them to form the name of the place in which Sir John Moore was killed in battle. By working out the sum you will get the date on which it took place.



POTTED PERSONALITY

The words printed in italics can be re-arranged to form the name of a popular radio and television star.

"I WANT a shell with five letters," said Pat, who was doing a crossword puzzle. "It seems to be *conch*." "Well, that's right; it's a type of marine shell," Dad explained. "Whizzo! Now an animal in three letters beginning with Y and I've finished." "Yak," suggested Pat's sister Jill. "Fancy not knowing that!"

CHANGE YOUR PARTNERS

Here is a list of characters who are well-known in literature; but they have become mixed. Can you re-arrange them so that they are in the correct pairs?

ROBIN HOOD—Lorna Doone.
John Ridd—Catherine Earnshaw.
Mr. Rochester—Minnehaha.
Othello—Jane Eyre.
Heathcliff—Desdemona.
Hiawatha—Maid Marian.

ANIMALS INTO FLOWERS

Add the name of an animal to each of the following words, to form the names of six well-known flowers.

SLIP; SNAP; BELL; ROSE; GLOVE; LILY.

LUCKY DIP

COO!

CRIED two ring-doves who lived at a zoo.
"We really don't know what to do."

For we've just built our nest
In the tree we like best,
Now two buzzards are building there, too."

LET'S PRETEND

A PRANCING black steed,
Or a ship on the Main.
A rocket through space,
Or a fast-moving train.
Or else we pretend
It's a swing at the fair,
What fun we all have
With our old rocking chair.

JUST A FEW WORDS

HERE is an entertaining way to increase your knowledge of words. Each numbered sentence below is followed by three answers or comments you might make; but, in each case, only one is correct and shows that you have understood the meaning of the word in italics. To answer five or six correctly is very good.

Answers are given in column 5

- He was accused of *vagrancy*.
A—Favouring his relations.
B—Wandering about homeless.
C—A savage attack.
- She has had a *relapse*.
A—Quiet rest.
B—Turn for the worse.
C—Second thoughts.
- The workmen had an *incentive*.
A—Lack of enthusiasm.
B—Angry resentment.
C—Motive to spur them on.
- We *eulogise* our heroes.
A—Mourn their passing.
B—Sing their praises.
C—Make excuses for them.
- Let us explore the *environs*.
A—Ancient monuments.
B—Points of advantage.
C—Surrounding district.
- He is certainly a *zealot*.
A—Obsessed with enthusiasm.
B—Overcome with envy.
C—An inquisitive onlooker.

PUZZLING PICTURE

Here is a picture which was taken in a London factory. Try to guess what is laid out in such long lines.

The answer is given in the last column



BILLY DOES THE HAT TRICK

"It was very nice of Harry to ask me to be best man at his wedding," said Daddy, "but I do wish we didn't have to dress up."

He was looking at the long coat and striped trousers of the kind which all the men at the wedding would be wearing.

"And I'm sure I shall look quite ridiculous in a top hat," he went on. "Let's hope the outfitters still haven't got one to fit me."

Daddy had been to one of those special outfitters who hire suits for weddings but they had not got a hat to fit him. But they had promised that one would be ready on the morning of the wedding.

"Will you pop along to the outfitters, Billy, and see if it is ready," he sighed. "I suppose I'll have to wear one."

Billy and Rover set off for the shop. The hat was all ready, and the man handed it over to Billy.

As he was leaving the shop, Billy noticed that his shoe-lace was undone. He put the parcel

down and bent to tie his lace. Rover immediately picked up the parcel in his teeth and began walking towards home. After all, he *always* carried a parcel when he went shopping with Mummy.

Billy looked up and saw his precious package being carried down the street. "Stop," he cried. "Stop, Rover. Drop it."

Rover looked round and obeyed his master—much to his master's dismay. For the hat dropped right into a puddle!

By the time Billy had dashed up the hat was soaked in muddy water.

A little later Billy walked sadly into his house. "In trouble again," he thought.

But to his amazement, when he held out the wet, muddy topper Daddy's face broke into a smile.

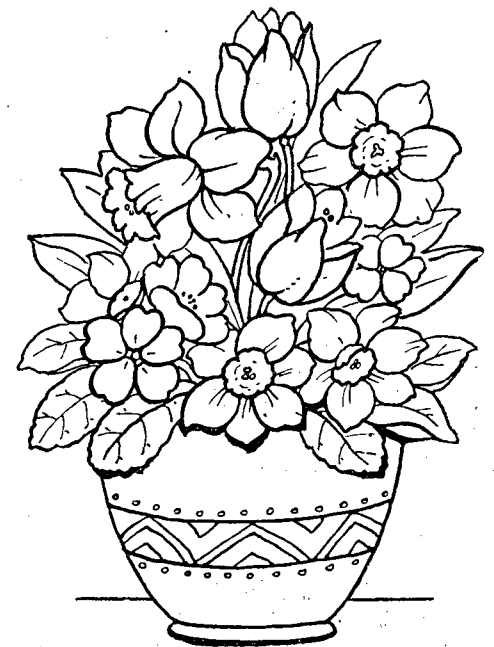
"What a clever lad," he said beaming. "Now I can't possibly wear it to the wedding."

Completely puzzled, Billy hurried out before Daddy changed his mind. One never knew with these funny grown-ups.

COLOUR THIS PICTURE

Cut out this picture, paste on thin card, and allow to dry. Then colour it, using paints or crayons.

You will no doubt be able to provide a most attractive picture with a bowl full of colourful spring flowers.



GAME WITH WORDS

RULE lines on a piece of paper, then divide them into four columns, the first being a quarter-of-an-inch wide and the rest one inch wide. At the top of the wide columns put the words Flower, Town, Animal. Then choose a particular word, say Friend, and put each letter in one of the narrow squares so that it reads downwards. The game is to fill in each of the wide squares with the name of a flower, town, and animal which begins with the letter in the first column. For example: the word Friend begins with the letter F, so you could put Fuschia, Folkestone, Fox in the space under each respective heading. Carry on down each column until your paper is complete or until an agreed time-limit.

At the end of the game collect all the lists and compare them. Cross off each list any name given on another until only those names which have been given once are left. The player with the biggest number of names on his list is the winner.

ANSWERS TO PUZZLES

Name him. Sir James Barrie. Can you read this? You and I are underpaid and overworked. Find the birds. Hedge sparrow; fulmar petrel; sand martin; turtle dove; sea swallow; golden eagle. Where was this battle? Corunna 1809. Potted personality. Tony Hancock. Change your partners. Robin Hood—Maid Marian; John Ridd—Lorna Doone; Mr. Rochester—Jane Eyre; Othello—Desdemona; Heathcliff—Catherine Earnshaw; Hiawatha—Minnehaha. Animals into flowers. Cowslip; snapdragon; harebell; dog-rose; foxglove; tiger-lily. Fuzzling picture. They are rows of hot gingerbread on the way to the wrapping department of a biscuit firm.

JUST A FEW WORDS

- B Vagrancy is the habit of wandering from place to place. (Connected with Latin *vagari*, to wander.)
- B A relapse is a falling back into a former bad condition (either of bodily health, or of habits.) (From Latin *relapsus*, slipped back.)
- C An incentive is a stimulus, motive; something that incites to action. (From Latin *incentivus*, setting the tune.)
- B To eulogise is to praise highly; speak well of. (From Greek *eulogia*—eu, well, and *logos*, a speaking.)
- C Environs are the surrounding district; outskirts of a city; outlying suburbs. (From French *environ*, around.)
- A A zealot is a person with excessive enthusiasm for a cause. (From Greek *zelotes*, ardent follower.)

SWIMMING STARS IN ACTION

THE first of this season's big swimming matches will take place on Saturday when the North meets the South at Bristol.

Apart from Ian Black and Judy Grinham, noted Sportsman and Sportswoman of 1958, almost every leading swimmer will be taking part. There should certainly be some fast times, for a fortnight later the international trials will be held and every competitor will be all out to impress the selectors.

One young swimmer who is expected to shine this season is 15-year-old Margaret Toms of Beckenham, Kent. Margaret has covered the 100 yards in 61

seconds this year, and is expected to get under the minute before long, a feat achieved among British girls only by international Diana Wilkinson.

Another important event on Saturday is the Southern A.S.A.'s inter-county tournament in London. More than 300 youngsters between ten and 13 will be there—and so, too, will a panel of international selectors led by Mr. Alf Price, Olympic team manager.

With an eye on the future, officials will record the performances of every swimmer, and outstanding youngsters will be noted for special training.

He flies through the air

One of the trainees in action during a pole-vault practice as part of a coaching course arranged by the AAA at the Royal Grammar School, Newcastle.



Team of champions wanted

RUSSIA'S athletics team to compete in next year's Olympic Games (in Rome) is likely to consist only of champions.

The Soviet Athletics Federation has announced that to qualify for the Olympic team athletes must achieve a standard which in many cases equals or is actually better than the existing record.

Superlative MODEL YACHT

39' TALL • 27' LONG

- HIGH QUALITY
- FIBREGLASS HULL
- VERY STRONG
- NYLON SAILS

~~£5.50~~
ONLY
37'6
INC. P.T.

Guaranteed to sail
fast and straight.
Carriage 5/-

★ AN IDEAL BIRTHDAY GIFT!
★ MONEY BACK IF NOT DELIGHTED.
GRATISPOOL LTD., Dept. CNY14, GLASGOW, C.I

The Children's Newspaper is printed in England and published every Wednesday by the Proprietors, The Amalgamated Press, Ltd., The Fleetway House, Farringdon Street, London, E.C.4. Editorial Offices: John Carpenter House, John Carpenter Street, London, E.C.4. It is registered as a newspaper for transmission by Canadian Magazine Post. Subscription Rates: Inland, £1 8s. 6d. for 12 months, 14s. 3d. for six months. Abroad except Canada, £1 6s. 0d. for 12 months, 13s. for six months. Canada £1 3s. 6d. for 12 months, 11s. 9d. for six months. Sole Agents: Australasia, Messrs. Gordon & Gotch, Ltd.; South Africa, Central News Agency, Ltd.; Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland, Messrs. Kingstons, Ltd. May 2, 1959.

All abroad

WITH the football season now almost over, many of the League clubs will be preparing to leave for summer tours, and almost all of the world's footballing countries will be visited by a British amateur or professional club.

West Ham United players are among the first to leave. They are off this week for four matches in ten days in Brussels, Essen, Gelsen, and Dortmund. They return to their homes for a short break, and then travel to Vienna to compete in a four-club international tournament. Their opponents will be Vienna F.C., Dukla (Prague), and Moscow Spartak.

Some of the other clubs going abroad are: West Bromwich Albion to Canada and the United States; Arsenal to Italy; Bolton Wanderers to South Africa; Tottenham Hotspur to Russia; Newcastle United to South and Central America; Burnley to Portugal; Blackburn Rovers to Germany and Denmark; and Nottingham Forest to Germany, Holland and Belgium. Middlesex Wanderers, the famous amateur touring side, will be off to Uganda, Kenya, and Tanganyika.

Football shorts

BEARDED. Every one of the soccer team in Gurim, Persia, had a luxuriant beard; and right proud they were. But recently the team captain ordered the players to shave their beards off.

It seems that in one match a Gurim player got his beard caught up in the zip-fastener of an opponent's jersey—and the opponent made no attempt to release his victim until his own side had scored a goal!

DOWNHEARTED. A Professor of Psychology in Western Germany, investigating the drop in coal mine production on Mondays, discovered that the miners did not work so well on the day following the defeat of their local soccer team.

GRATEFUL. Soccer has brought fame and riches to di Stefano, centre-forward of Real-Madrid. As a mark of his gratitude he is having a white marble ball weighing ten hundredweight mounted in the garden of his beautiful villa in Madrid. The inscription will be "Gracia Viejo," which can be translated as "Thanks, old man."



Cricket gets under way

THE first-class cricket season gets under way this week. In addition to the Indian touring team's opening fixture at Worcester, Lord's stages matches between the M.C.C. and Yorkshire (starting this Wednesday), and M.C.C. and Surrey, on Saturday.

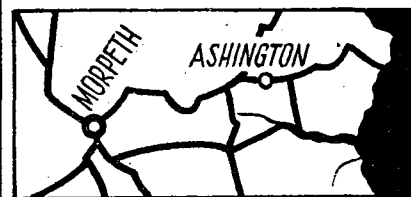
Among the umpires for the 1959 season is Hugo Yarnold, former Worcestershire wicket-keeper. Joining the County team in 1938, Hugo Yarnold played until 1955, dismissing nearly 650 batsmen from behind the stumps. He had a knee-cap removed in 1951, but returned to the County side with an iron support on his right leg.

A young player who may take the place of Hugo Yarnold in due course is 17-year-old John Elliott, from the Worcester Royal Grammar School. Elliott kept wicket for the English Schools XI last season, and is also a promising left-handed opening batsman.

Steeplechasers' club

RECENTLY we gave news of the formation of the Kangaroo Club for hop, step, and jump performers. Now comes news of yet another specialist club, this time for steeplechasers. It has been named the Barrier Club.

SPORTING GALLERY

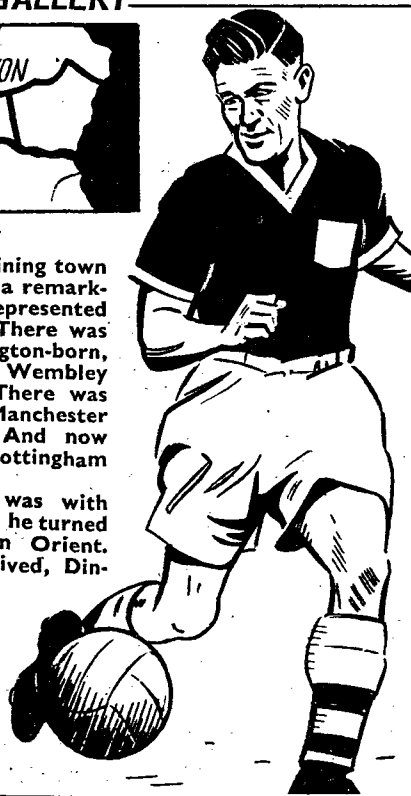


BILLY GRAY

Ashington is a small mining town in Northumberland with a remarkable way of getting itself represented in the F.A. Cup Final. There was Jackie Milburn, Ashington-born, playing for Newcastle at Wembley in 1951, '52, and '55. There was Bobby Charlton, of Manchester United, a year ago. And now comes Billy Gray, the Nottingham Forest inside-left.

Billy's early football was with Dinnington Colliery and he turned professional with Leyton Orient. From the donation received, Dinnington bought the Billy Gray Cup, competed for by local schoolboys.

Billy left Leyton Orient for Chelsea. His next club was Burnley. Four clubs in ten years suggests a wanderer, but sturdy Billy says he has been happy with them all.



On borrowed wheels

KEN CRAVEN of Brentwood, Essex, has been putting up some phenomenal performances in this season's cycling time trials—in spite of many mishaps.

On his rail journey to Redhill for one 25-miles trial, for instance, Ken travelled in the wrong half of the train, and found himself 20 miles from the start, without his bike. So he hitch-hiked to the start of the trial, and set off on a borrowed machine. About eight miles from the finish, friends appeared with his own bike, and he raced on to a brilliant victory.

Over Easter he won two important time trials on successive days, and then, recently, he competed in a 40-miles trial—again on a borrowed machine. By the time he had mastered the strange bike, he was 15 seconds behind the leader, but he won the event by nearly two minutes.

Spectator joins in

An Alsatian dog, watching a match between two German clubs, Dusseldorf and Cologne, snapped his teeth on the shorts of the Dusseldorf outside-left as he hit the back of the net after scoring.

Sixty years of motor racing

VISITORS to Silverstone for the motor racing meeting on Saturday will see a cavalcade of cars representing 60 years of racing.

Heading the parade will be the aero-engined Sunbeam with which the late Sir Malcolm Campbell set up a world speed record of 150.87 m.p.h. in 1925; on the sands at Pendine, South Wales. At the wheel will be his son, Donald Campbell, holder of the world water speed record.

Hole in one

PLAYING in a recent competition, golfer Tony Coop watched his ball fly high into the air and come down on the other side of the green. Then he found that the ball had landed right in the pocket of a spectator. The man took it out and dropped it beside him on to a cinder path.

"Well, he might have dropped it on the green," quipped Tony.

SPORTS QUIZ

1. Who are the present County Rugby Champions?
2. Sponge table tennis bats are banned in England except in one competition. Do you know which one?
3. Which game is the one said to be the most played in the western world?
4. In which sport would you use a dojo?
5. In which sport is the Carris Trophy awarded?
6. For how many years in succession have Surrey been County Cricket Champions?

Answers: 1. Warwickshire. 2. The English Open Championships. 3. Bowls. 4. Judo—it is the mat on which the wrestling takes place. 5. It is an open golf tournament for boys. 6. Seven.